## House Resolution No. 4767

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to recognize Show-Me State business and educational institutions that admirably enhance the quality of life in local communities and neighborhoods through excellence in their chosen fields of endeavor; and

**Whereas**, Missouri Valley College in Marshall, Missouri, will host the Second Annual Maastricht Institute of Entrepreneurship from September 25 through September 27, 2007; and

Whereas, named after the city Maastricht in the Netherlands, the Maastricht Institute of Entrepreneurship grew out of experiences and friendships among residents of Maastricht and several cities in the United States; and

Whereas, Maastricht Institute of Entrepreneurship fosters an atmosphere of receptiveness and creativity toward comparative entrepreneurial processes, includes American and European perspectives, compares and contrasts the entrepreneurial business environment within the United States and that of other countries to highlight domestic and international philosophies, and examines different practices and fields to create a climate of creativity related to entrepreneurial projects; and

Whereas, the Maastricht Institute of Entrepreneurship includes lectures, seminars, and roundtable discussions for attendees who are present for either one or two and one-half days; and

**Whereas**, with Dr. Benoit Wesley serving as the keynote speaker at the Maastricht Institute of Entrepreneurship, other speakers and moderators will include Oscar Tshibanda, Ratana Tshibanda, Dr. Jan Cobbenhagen, Dr. Brian Dabson, Jason R. Henderson, Dr. Edgar Janssens, Mickey Burns, former Senator Jim Mathewson, and Michael Clause; and

**Whereas**, Missouri Valley College is a liberal arts college that has provided educational, social, and cultural experiences in a Christian environment since its establishment in 1889:

Whereas, Missouri Valley College offers twenty-seven academic majors, seven preprofessional programs, twelve sports, and twenty varsity teams and focuses on scholarship, critical thinking, and academic excellence to prepare students to become members of a responsible citizenry:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the history, goals, and accomplishments of the Maastricht Institute of Entrepreneurship and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for a highly successful Second Annual edition of the meeting; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the Maastricht Institute of Entrepreneurship at Missouri Valley College in Marshall, Missouri.

Offered by

Representative Joe Aull
District No. 26

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4767, adopted September 19, 2007.